

III. REMARKS

1. Claims 1, 3, 8, 15, 17, 22 and 23 are amended. Claim 25 is new.
2. Claims 1, 3-6, 8, 10-13, 15, 17-20 and 22-23 are not unpatentable over Lager in view of Official Notice.

The Examiner takes Official Notice that it is known to launch two browser instances to create two browser windows displayed side by side. However, claim 1 recites that the first and second PDP connections are "simultaneously" maintained. The Examiner has not provided any disclosure related to this claimed feature. The Examiner has also not shown or demonstrated that any first and second PDP connections are different connections. The mere fact that two browser instances can be launched does not imply different first and second PDP connections. Thus, the Examiner's position is respectfully traversed. The Examiner is requested to provide an evidentiary basis for an Official Notice that the connections in Lager are "different" PDP connections. The Examiner has not provided any showing how these two browser instances can be launched in such a way that each of them uses a connection of its own as claimed by Applicant. It is respectfully submitted that one of skill in the art would not immediately assume that the mere launching of two browser instances as suggested by the Examiner will result in different PDP connections. Thus, at least these features of claim 1 cannot be disclosed or suggested by Lager.

Furthermore, claim 1 is amended to recite *an e-mail program stored in a memory is used for controlling said remote mailboxes, which e-mail program is provided with a user interface, and said e-mail program is provided with the capability to control said remote mailboxes simultaneously within the same user interface.* This is not disclosed or suggested by Lager.

This is supported by the description on page 6, lines 7-11 where it is stated that it "*is possible to attain this purpose in such a manner that each e-mail server, which one*

wishes to use simultaneously, is advantageously provided with a PDP connection with its own. Thus, it is possible to provide the user interface of the e-mail program with a possibility to control several different remote mailboxes simultaneously." (Emphasis added)

Also, FIG. 2 discloses a user interface of an e-mail program by which more than one remote mailbox can be controlled. The specification beginning on page 9, line 24 relates to the embodiment of FIG.2.

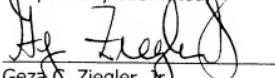
By these amendments, the claimed subject matter is clearly different from the two browser instances mentioned by the Examiner. In the example set forth by the Examiner, one browser instance is launched for each mailbox. Therefore, there will be a plurality of browser windows (user interfaces) showing, each of which is only capable of controlling one mailbox at a time. As recited by Applicant in the claims, the same user interface of one e-mail program is used to control a plurality of remote mailboxes substantially simultaneously.

Therefore, claims 1, 8, 15, 22, 23 and 25 are not disclosed or suggested by Lager and the Official Notice.

Claims 3-6, 10-13, 17-20 should be allowable at least by reason of their respective dependencies.

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